

NEW GERMAN CAMPAIGN IN NEAR EAST LIKELY

GERMANS MASSING TROOPS NEAR ROUMANIAN BORDER

Activity to Begin There Just as
Soon as Austrian Soil is
Cleared of Invaders.

RUSSIAN LINES PIERCED
Russians Are Evidently Not Go-
ing to Try to Hold Their
River Positions.

BERLIN, Aug. 30.—German forces have made a further advance on the Russian fortress of Grodno, the only one of their fortified positions near the German border which still remains in their possession. Official announcement was made here today of the capture of Lipka in northern Russian Poland, about twenty miles to the west of Grodno.

LONDON, Aug. 30.—Reports from the eastern front indicating that the Austrians and Germans are engaged in an effort to clear the last corner of Galicia, still held by their opponents have exciting great interest here. The Russian lines on the upper Bug and the Zolota-Lipa have been pierced but it is not yet clear how serious a resistance is being offered to the vast enveloping movement from the South.

Having lost Brest-Litovsk, Grand Duke Nicholas cannot afford to hold the river positions in the South in the face of an important movement, for to do so would endanger his armies. The opinion is ventured by some English critics that this latest move may conclude for the present the great offensive effort against the Russians, which has been in progress since May and that once Austrian soil is cleared of the invaders a new campaign may be undertaken by the Teutonic forces, this time in the near East. In support of this theory is cited the report that the central powers are massing troops near the Roumanian border. The week-end witnessed violent and almost continuous activity of the artillery of the allies all the way from the North sea to the Vosges. There are no indications, however, that the expenditure of munitions was followed by infantry attacks. London is again waiting official report from the British or French authorities concerning the campaign at the Dardanelles, where, according to Constantinople, heavy fighting is under way.

GERMAN TRENCHES DAMAGED BY FRENCH

PARIS, Aug. 30.—Violent artillery fighting took place yesterday evening at many points in the Argonne, as a result of which the trenches of the Germans were seriously damaged, according to the French official report issued this afternoon.

The text of the communication follows: "Yesterday evening saw severe artillery fighting accompanied by the explosions of mines and engagements with bombs and hand grenades at a large number of positions in the Ar-

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KANSAS WHEAT CROP

Is Reduced by Many Millions of
Bushels As Result of the
Recent Rains.

TOPEKA, Kan., Aug. 30.—J. C. Mohler, secretary of the state board of agriculture, in his report issued today, estimated the Kansas wheat yield for this year at 98,630,000 as against an estimate of 115,700,000 in July and 138,700,000 in June. Continued rains that made impossible the harvesting of the Kansas wheat was held responsible for the big loss in the state's crop production. Millions of bushels of grain were lost by Kansas farmers because of the weather that would not permit thrashing and much of the wheat in shocks was lost during the wet season.

MRS. LYON PASSES TO GREAT BEYOND

Well Known Woman is Claimed
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Death.

The funeral of Nancy J. Lyon, aged 79 years, who died at 5 o'clock Sunday morning following a complication of diseases which followed an attack of typhoid fever seven weeks ago, will be held at the Lyon apartment at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon and interment will be at the Odd Fellows cemetery. The Rev. Dr. W. C. Taylor, pastor of the First Baptist church, will officiate.

The deceased woman was a daughter of Hugh Thompson, a pioneer citizen, and one of a family of six children. William, Thomas and Samuel, her three brothers, were prominent men. Her husband, the late Elizabeth Payne, widow of Thomas T. Payne, and Mrs. Lyon

ACCIDENTAL WOUND RESULTS IN DEATH

Walkersville Youth Receives
Full Load of Shotgun in His
Intestines.

Frank Anderson, age 14, son of Jacob Anderson, of Walkersville, Lewis county, died Sunday night here from injuries received when he accidentally shot himself in the intestines with a shot gun at his home Saturday afternoon. The body will be taken to Walkersville at 4 o'clock tomorrow morning and funeral services will be conducted from the home there.

The youth was in the act of repairing the trigger to the gun and had the mouth of the barrel pressed against his body. The gun went off suddenly and the entire load entered the boy's intestines. He was rushed to a local hospital and medical attention quickly given but death resulted last night.

Besides his father, the deceased boy is survived by a brother, Samuel Anderson.

BIG FOREST FIRES

In Oregon Course 300 Farm-
ers to Desert Harvest Fields
to Fight Them.

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 30.—Three hundred men, many of them farmers called from their harvesting, were going to the forest fires today in the Cascade mountains near Mount Hood. Thousands of acres of woodlands have been burned and many fields of grain have been destroyed. Forestry officials charged today that some of the fires were of incendiary origin.

OFFICIALS FOIL LYNCHING MOB

FROST AND ICE

In the State of Iowa Do Great
Damage to Crops of Var-
ious Kinds.

WATERLOO, Ia., Aug. 30.—Heavy frost in some instances taking the form of ice was today reported occurring in this section last night. The government thermometer here registered 34 above zero. All tender vegetation including melons, late potatoes and some sweet corn is said to have been damaged. Field corn probably escaped damage from the northern Iowa counties where the grain suffered more serious damage.

AGENT FOR EIGHT.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—Ambassador Morganthau at Constantinople, has taken over the diplomatic interests of Italy, Russia and Montenegro. These added responsibilities for the United States called to the state department today makes this government diplomatic agent at the porte for eight European nations.

WANTS MORE OFFICERS.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—Secretary Garrison has directed the war college to submit plans for securing additional regular army officers and a corps of reserve officers, both for the regular army and for a volunteer army or any other force which Congress may authorize. This step was taken with a view of recommendation to Congress at its coming session.

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DRY DOCKING

Work in Connection With Res-
cuing Sunken Submarine
Under Way Now.

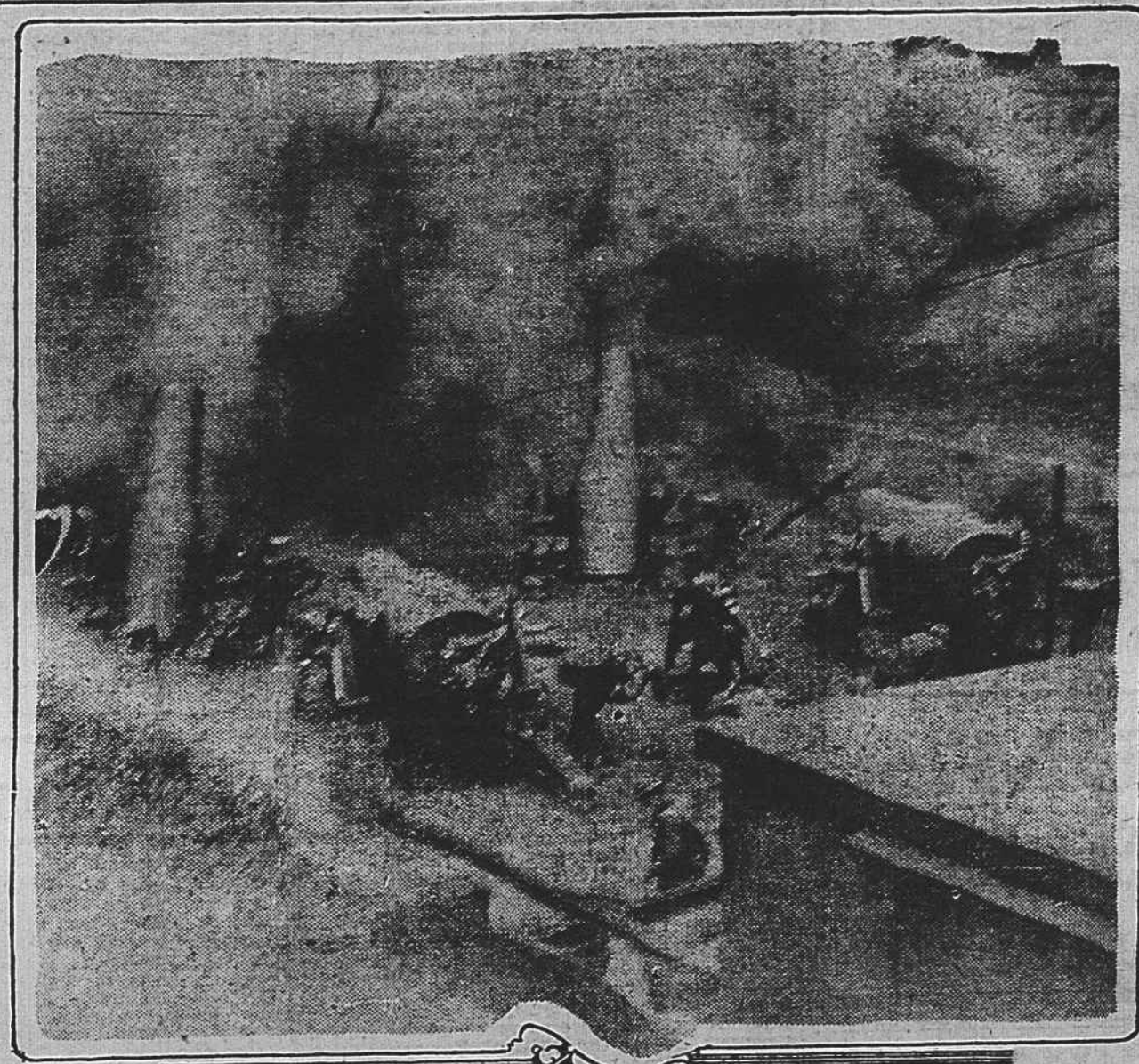
HONOLULU, Aug. 30.—Work preliminary to the dry docking of the submarine F-4, lost in the Honolulu harbor March 6 and raised yesterday, was under way today. It was expected the craft would be placed in dry dock tomorrow. Until then nothing definite can be announced as to what caused the disaster. The F-4 was raised by the pontoon method, six special pontoons, each with a lifting capacity of sixty tons, having been constructed for the purpose after all other methods proved unavailing.

CANCER FATAL

To Russell Furr, Twelve-Year-Old
Boy of Broad Oaks.

Cancer caused the death of Russell Furr, age 12, who passed away at the home of his uncle, T. J. Holt, 250 Ocello street, Broad Oaks, at 2 o'clock this morning. The deceased boy is survived by his grandfather, Bartley Holt, of Jane Lew. The funeral will be held from the Holt home in Broad Oaks but the time has not yet been set. Later in the day it was announced that the funeral would be held at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning. The services will be in charge of the Rev. P. Z. Musgrave, pastor of the Broad Oaks Methodist Episcopal church. Burial will be in the Elkview cemetery.

HUGE STEEL PROJECTILES FLY SEVEN MILES OUT OF UNCLE SAM'S COAST DEFENSE FORT NEAR NEW YORK



This picture was taken last week at Fort Totten, one of the defenses of New York city. It shows the huge twelve-inch mortars at target practice. These mighty guns fire a steel projectile weighing 750 pounds a distance of seven miles.

SWISS PLEASED

With the Return of Gilbert,
French Aviator, Who Es-
caped from Camp.

PARIS, Aug. 30.—Eugene Gilbert, the French aviator, whose return to Switzerland, after his escape from internment in that country, was ordered by the French government, arrived in Bern yesterday escorted by Captain Dufour of the Swiss army, according to a despatch today from Bern. The aviator, whose recent escape was said to have been effected after he had withdrawn his promise not to dry to get away, was received by the Swiss staff and informed that he was considered as an officer interned without having given his word of honor. Gilbert arrived this morning at the village of Hospenthal, where he was interned.

All the Swiss papers, the despatch states, declare that a most excellent impression has been created in Switzerland by the return of Gilbert. It has developed that Gilbert before escaping had written a letter to the French general staff withdrawing his word of honor that he make no attempt to escape. The letter was received several hours before the attempt was made, but was left unopened at army headquarters and the general staff maintained that Gilbert had not been released from his word of honor.

WIDOW'S TRIAL

Is Begun at Jackson, Ky., for
the Murder of Mrs. Polly
Davis.

JACKSON, Ky., Aug. 30.—Mrs. Mammie Hamlin, widow of Bert Hamlin, son of a former Illinois attorney general, was placed on trial here today on the charge of having poisoned Mrs. Polly Davis, a wealthy widow of this county who recently died under peculiar circumstances. Mrs. Hamlin is also charged with having forged Mrs. Davis's name to a will in which she was made the principal beneficiary. Mrs. Clara Meyers, of Charleston, W. Va., who is also being held in connection with the case, endeavored today to have the amount of her bond fixed. She is expecting friends here for the trial and hopes to be able to furnish bond.

MRS. MYERS UNKNOWN IN CITY OF CHARLESTON

CHARLESTON, Aug. 30.—Mrs. Clara Meyers, reported from Jackson, Ky., as being held in connection with the alleged poisoning of Mrs. Polly Davis, a wealthy widow, is not known here. Careful inquiry by the police has failed to locate any person by that name. She has recently lived in Charleston.

MURDER INQUEST IS BEGUN BY CORONER

Alleged Slayer of Columbia
Miner is Captured by
Posse and Jailed.

An inquest was started Monday by Dr. S. M. Mason, coroner, into the murder of Glord Casimo, an Italian coal miner, 36 years old, who was shot through the heart and instantly killed Sunday afternoon near his home at the Columbia mining settlement, when he quarreled with a fellow miner, Patsy Polite, a younger Italian, whom a sheriff's posse trailed to Northview and captured late the same afternoon, is a prisoner in the county jail, charged with the murder.

Witnesses who saw the tragedy say that Casimo was drunk at the time and that he threatened to attack Polite with a razor when the fatal shot was fired.

Good work of Sheriff Ross F. Stout's bloodhounds enabled the posse to trail Polite across hills and through woods from Columbia Mines to Northview. He was found hiding in the house of James Couzino, a friend at the latter place. The deputies surrounded the house and one of them caught Polite as he was running upstairs. He offered no resistance and was taken to jail quietly.

Both the dead man and the prisoner are unmarried. Polite is 28 years old.

The body of Casimo was taken to the Lynch-Oborn morgue Sunday night at the direction of the coroner.

EXPLOSION

At Powder Plant Merely an Ac-
cident Like Others That
Have Occurred There.

ACTON, Mass., Aug. 30.—Convinced that the blowing up of the glazing mill of the American Powder Company yesterday morning was due to accident, local authorities made no effort today to continue investigations of the explosion. Although several persons were questioned regarding their knowledge of the affair no definite information was obtained. It was the belief of company officials that the explosion did not differ from others which have taken place at the plant in the past.

GORDON FUNERAL.

Funeral services over the body of Mrs. Mary Hoff Gordon, who died suddenly of heart trouble at her home, 403 Clay street, late Saturday afternoon, were held from the home at 2 o'clock this afternoon and interment was in the Odd Fellows cemetery. The funeral services were in charge of the Rev. G. D. Smith, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church, of which church the deceased woman had been a life long member.

ELLIOTT

Of This State is to Testify in the
Chase Case in the State
of Colorado.

DENVER, Aug. 30.—The military court of inquiry appointed by Governor George A. Carlson to investigate charges against Adjutant General John Chase and other officers of the national guard of Colorado, resumed taking testimony behind closed doors today. The appointment of the court was the result of charges against the adjutant general and other officers of the militia, growing largely out of the military administration during the recent strike of coal miners.

Shortly before noon it became known that C. D. Elliott, former adjutant general of the national guard of West Virginia, during the coal miners' strike in that state, had been subpoenaed to appear before the military court. It was said the subpoena was issued on information that Elliott has been in the employ of the United Mine Workers of America and has been in Colorado for several months.

BACK AT WORK

Are Many Hundreds of Factory
Workers with an Eight-
Hour Day.

BRIDGEPORT, Ct., Aug. 30.—Many hundreds of factory workers who had been on a strike recently returned to their accustomed tasks today, their differences with employers over hours and compensation having been adjusted. In nearly every instance the workers have entered upon the eight-hour schedule without a reduction in wage. The largest delegation of returning employees was that of upward of 800 girls at the Crown and the George O. Batchelor corset companies. A conference will begin today to discuss the question of ordering a school strike against the Remington Arms and Ammunition Company, because of alleged discrimination against workers in one trade and the discharge of four men who served on a shop committee.

COLD WAVE

Comes Down from Canada and
Will Reach the Atlantic
States Tomorrow.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—Abnormally low temperatures prevailed today over the upper Mississippi and lower Missouri valleys and the upper lake region. In some places the weather bureau reported today the thermometer showed temperatures which made records for the month of August. Frost was reported in many places. Over almost all of the sections mentioned temperatures were from ten to twenty-three degrees below the seasonal average. The cold came down from the Canadian northwest and will spread tonight eastward reaching the Atlantic states tomorrow. Frost was predicted as probable to night in Michigan, Indiana and Ohio.

GERARD DESPATCH

To Secretary Lansing Throws
No Light on the Present Sit-
uation with Germany.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—One despatch from Ambassador Gerard which Secretary Lansing declared threw no light on the situation, was the only development today in the Arabic case. While Secretary Lansing refused to discuss the despatch, it was informed that the German government did not have the report of the submarine commander. Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, was in New York. No further development was expected before his return to the capital.

AMERICAN FLAG

Floats over More Ships of For-
eign Trade Than at Time
Since 1863.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 30.—The American flag now floats over more ships in the foreign trade than at any other time since 1863 and the United States is pressing close on France and Norway as a maritime nation. Figures made public Monday by the department of commerce show a record increase in American shipping for the year ended June 30. On that day there were registered in the foreign trade 2,768 ships, totalling 1,815,776 gross tons and increase of 362 ships and 737,623 tons for the year.

TAGS WORN

In Order That Passengers Can
Be Identified if the Ship is
Sunk by Submarines.

NEW YORK, Aug. 30.—Passengers arriving here today aboard the steamer Espérance from Bordeaux were identification tags issued to them before sailing, so that they might be identified in case German submarines should send their ship to the bottom while they were passing through the war zone. It was the first time such tags had been worn by passengers aboard a liner reaching here from Europe since the war began.

BIG FAIR IS READY TO BEGIN TOMORROW

Great Fall Event Will Be Great-
est in History if the Wea-
ther is Good.

Nothing has been left undone by the association to make the Clarksburg fair which will open Tuesday morning, one of the best exhibitions of its kind ever held in the state. A novel feature this year in the series of special days, as follows: Tuesday, Children's Day. Wednesday, Agricultural Day. Thursday, Governor's Day. Tuesday an effort will be made to have all of the little folks of Harrison and adjoining counties present at the fair. A special attraction for them a fine little pony is to be presented to a little girl of boy who will be on the grounds that day. Farmer's day will be an interesting one to a large number of people for the reason that the agricultural experts not only of the state, but the nation, will be on hand to offer free advice and to deliver talks. This

will be one of the real events of fair week in Clarksburg.

Governor Hatfield, his staff, many state officers and scores of other statesmen will be present. Thursday which has been designated "Governor's day."

An elaborate program is arranged for Thursday, which will include a reception for Dr. Hatfield, an escort to take him to the grounds and an address by him and other prominent officials in the grand stand.

President S. C. Denham, of the fair association, says that all of the departments are allied to the satisfaction of all and that with clear weather, the association will give one of the best fairs in the history of the organization.

Those who judge a fair by its racing card will have a week of fine sport.

Delays of the past in getting from the city to the grounds and return will not be experienced for the service on the park traction line has been materially improved for the occasion.